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RESPONSE

Dear Sir,

In response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2002, Applicant respectfully responds as follows:

The current Office Action dated July 30, 2002, is a duplicate of the Office Action dated June 27, 2002. Both Office actions required two responses: 1) election of a group of claims, and 2) election of a species. Applicant responded to the first requirement on July 8, 2002, but initially overlooked the second requirement, which was responded to separately on July 26, 2002, before the one-month deadline. Based on the mailing dates and the fact that the current Office Action states it is responding to the communication of July 8, Applicant believes the current Office Action was generated and mailed before the

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response filed July 26 was received by the Examiner. Applicant believes he has met the requirements of the Office Action mailed June 27, 2002, making the current Office Action unnecessary. But to assure procedural correctness, copies of both previous responses (July 8 and July 26) are included herein and incorporated as part of this response to the current Office Action. Applicant believes this satisfies the requirements, both procedural and substantive, of all Office Actions received to date. If this is incorrect, or if the Examiner has any remaining questions, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir,

On July 8, 2002, applicant filed a response to the restriction requirement dated June 27, 2002, electing to prosecute Group I, claims 1-38. Applicant inadvertently omitted a response to the requirement to also elect a species for prosecution. The following is the response to the requirement to elect a species.

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The Examiner divided the embodiments into the following, requesting election of a single embodiment and identification of the claims corresponding to the embodiment.

Embodiment 1: Figs. 1-2 Embodiment 2: Figs. 3-7 Embodiment 3: Fig. 8 Embodiment 4: Figs. 9-10 Embodiment 5: Figs. 11-12 Embodiment 6: Fig. 13 Embodiment 7: Fig. 14 Embodiment 8: Fig. 15

Embodiment 9: Fig. 16 Embodiment 10: Fig. 17 Embodiment 11: Figs. 18

Applicant maintains that Figs. 1-10 describe a single species, for the following reasons:

- 1) Fig. 3 shows a cross-sectional view of a portion of Fig. 1 (see page 11 lines 9-10 of the specification) and therefore Figs. 1 and 3 represent the same embodiment.

 Further, claim 1 includes the limitations of a spiral-shaped signal path (Fig. 1), a second conductor over a substrate (Fig. 3) and a magnetic layer over the substrate (Fig.3). Since a single claim cannot be divided into multiple species for separate prosecution, Figs. 1 and 3 are the same embodiment represented by claim 1. Claim 20 also includes the same three limitations, and therefore Figs. 1 and 3 are the same embodiment represented by claim 20.
- 2) Fig. 8 describes the process of fabricating the structure shown in Figs. 9 and 10, in the same way that Fig. 2 shows the process of fabricating the structure shown in Figs. 1 and 3-7. Therefore Figs. 8-10 represent the same embodiment.

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3) Fig. 8 is a generic embodiment of Fig. 2. A comparison of Figs. 2 and 8 shows that the few operations of Fig 8 are included within the many operations of Fig. 2

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant maintains that Figs. 1-10 represent a single species, and elects the species represented by Figs. 1-10. If the Examiner refuses to agree to this allocation of species, Applicants will elect the species represented by Figs. 1-7.

In either case, claim 1 (and claims 2-19 based on their dependency from claim 1) represent the elected species, while claim 20 (and claims 21-38 based on their dependency from claim 20) also represent the elected species.

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Dear Sir,

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In response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2002, Applicant respectfully responds to the restriction requirement by electing to prosecute Group I, claims 1-38. Please cancel claims 39-48 without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the canceled claims in a divisional application.

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